## Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Darwin L. Edlund's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Edlund devoted more than 30 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a mechanic and leader in maintenance, including service in Iraq and many state activations in support of fire-fighting operations; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Edlund continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant First Class Darwin L. Edlund for more than 30 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2006, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this First Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

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Chris Nelson, Secretary of State